

PUBLISHED DAILY AND TRI-WEEKLY BY EDGAR SNOWDEN:

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We congratulate the country upon the fact that there were enough sensible democrats in the House of Representatives, yesterday, to pre vent, with the aid of all the republicans, the silly attempt of a majority of their party to reduce the strength of the army. The size of the army provided for by the Army Appropriation bill twenty five thousand, is little enough in all con science, and now a nation of forty odd millions of people, whose frontiers are in a state of per petual disorder, can get along with a smaller force is not easily comprehended. That it does not get along well is groved by such massacres as that shot Drake through the heart. of Custer, and the more recent disgraceful one of the Cheyennes, neither of which would have courred if there had been a sufficient number of troops on the Little Big Horn and at Camp Robinson. The expanse of keeping up an army large enough for the protection of the people of the country is a bagatelle compared with that of the Indian wars, which, the mere knowledge of the existence of such an army, would prevent. The so-called democrats of the House can vote away untold millions upon petitions for arrears | been interred in private villages, or city cameof pensions, gotten up, as stated by Mr. E1- terics. The act authorizes the Secretary to muads, who was too much of a demagogue to oppose them, by claim agents; they can also appropriate known millions to keep up a navy national military cometeries as remains unex- they should object to securing the best terms to protect a merchant marine that does not (x | pended. ist, and a diplomatic corps for which there is no conceivable necessity, as is well shown by the existing vacancy in the Berlin mission, but they serious'y chiect to the comparatively insignificant expense of maintaining an army large prime Court as to the propriety of the State enough for the legitimate uses of the country. If the liberties of this nation have been lost, the for the Court of Pardons to consider the case, loss was not occasioned by the existence of an and upon good behavior or other reason exarmy. The majority of the army at the time | tend elemency. the liberty of the country was subverted, on the 4th of March, 1877, was, as is well known, dis posed to resist that subversion, but the people. on the contrary, were indisposed to resist, and the army simply acquiesced. It was not the army, but the voters, who allowed the will of the people to be successfully defied in 1877, and at Odessa. the case will not be otherwise in any succeeding

We sinceraly hope the so called democrats in Congress may stand by their determination to bills, by which the usiast and partisan law re- reduction of wag s. specing the qualification of jurars in U. S. courts may be repealed. If the radicals oppose this fair and equitable measure they will have only themselves to blame for an advanced session of the forty sixth Congress, at which the obnoxious restrictions now in operation can be removed without any difficulty. The war has been over fourteen years, and though the hatred of the radicals for their fellow citizens of the South has not been assuaged in all that time, the people of the South are just as loyal to the federal government now as those of Massachu setts, and should erj y the same rights and

The President has approved the sentence of the court martial dishoncrably dismissing Commodore Kells, U. S. N., for denouncing the nefarious conduct of Senator Kellogg, for notwithstanding assertions to the contrary, it is well known that had it not been for his public feet of which would be to relieve the pardoned criticism of the carpet bag Senator from Louisiana, the Commander would not have been tried on the charges of which he has been convioted. The sentence was approved yesterday, and the approval is the President's first requital an attempt is being made to give a new impulse of the favor granted him the day before by the to the collection thereof. On Sunday energetic representatives of the people in whose behalf representatives of the people in whose behalf parish churches, followed by special collections. Commodore Kells endangered his life and lost after mass and vespers. The work has been his means of living.

The strikers' idea has at last been reduced to an absurdity so apparent that it can be comprehended by the dullest moderstanding. The farmers of South Carolina have "struck," but not against receiving reduced pay for what they have to sell, but against paying the market price for the fertilizers they are compelled to use on their land. The manufacturers of the fertiliz ers can not sell without a profit, but they can close their works, which they will do if the strike | his cart near Richmond, a few days since, and continues, and the farmers can then console received injuries from which he died. themselves by hiring bands of music and march. ing around the deserted fastories to the saddeped gaze of the unemployed bands thereof.

DESERTED HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN.-We learn that a few days ago an elonement oc-curred near Big Lick under the following cir-cumstances: Mr. Richard Kropf, who has a wife and several children, and who resided on the farm of G. P. Tayloe, esq. near Big Lick, and has for several years been in the employ of that gentleman, had living in his family a young girl named Dangerfield. Some days ago Miss D. pretended to learn of the illness of her mother and so informed Mrs. K. Arrangements were at once made for Mr. Kropf to take her home, and for that purpose he obtained the loan of Tayloe's horses and wagon, but instead of taking the young lady to her mother, the couple repaired immediately to Salem, where, after making arrangements for the return of the horses and wagon to the owner, as we learn, paying all expenses in doing so, they took the train; no one knows whether they went up or down, and left for parts unknown. No one suspected their intentions, and they were out of reach of apprehension before their designs were known. This man Kropf is good at desertion, having deserted the Confederate army to the enemy during the war. The Miss Dangerfield was a daughter of Alex. Dangerfield, dec'd, of Roanoke.—Franklin Gazette.

THE DEBT QUESTION .- A correspondent of the Richmond Dispatch writing from this city 6878:

"I hope the General Assembly will accept the bondholders' proposition, and, as they say, quit talking about our poverty, &c. All this does but injure us in the eyes of the world. In upper Fauquier, where my property chiefly lies, no man, so far as I know, will sell his lands at their assessed value. I say this from an intimate knowledge of the county and people."

Money was offered during yesrerday in New York at 1 per cent per annum on governments

AEWS OF THE DAY. A member of the Missouri Legislature has

introduced a bill to prohibit the playing of ero quet and marbles on Sunday. At Labanon, Pa., several persons are under arrest on suspicion of having murdered a man

whose life had been heavily issured. Col. A. Londen Snowden, the postmaster at Philadelphia, has declined the directorship of the United States mint, tendered in Decem-

The United States Internal Revenue Collector at San Francisco has spized a splendid distillery found in the basement of a French res-

The Ostawa Free Press says the reports in the United States papers about Sitting Boll having crossed over from the Canadian side of the boundary line are apperyphal.

The South Carolina State Grange met at Charleston yesterday. An important question to be considered is a proposed strike of the farmers of South Carolina and Georgia against the increase in the price of fertilizers purchased for cotton.

The first Georgia coogressional district convention met at Savannah yesterday to nominate a candidate to fill the unexpired term of the late Julian Hartridge. On the twentieth ballot W. B. Fleming, of Liberty county, was unanimously nominated.

Miss Martha Collins shot and killed her brother in law, Jonathan Drake, at Buckner, Jackson county, Mo., on Sunday. The lady had been receiving attentions from a man who was objectionable to ber family. Drake forbade him to come to the house, and the girl hearing of it, became coraged, and, drawing a revolver,

C. R. Fuller, an old and respected citizen of Centralia, Ill., called at the house of Rev. Mr. Wallis, of the Methodist Church, at 11 o'clock Monday night, and demanded to be baptized. Upon being refused he sprang upon the min-ister and fought desperately. Mr. Wallis struck him down with a lamp, and held him until assistance arrived. Fuller is now a ma-

The President has approved the act author izing the Secretary of War to erect headstones over the graves of union soldiers who have use in this work so much of the one million ed even if it had been in violation of parlia-appropriation of 1873 for placing headstones mentary rules. He wanted to know if the over the graves of union soldiers interred in

On the 25th instant Graham, the accomplice of Hunter in the Armstrong murder, will be arraigned before the Supreme Court of New Jersey at Trantor. The Attorney General will then ask the advisory opinion of the Su accepting the plea of murder in the second degree. After this it will be always competent

FOREIGN ITEMS.

The Dake of Connaught is to be Vicercy of

Gen. Dolgardo, a former President of Pana

ma, is dead. It is reported that the plague has appeared

The Kings of Spain and Partugal meet to

day at Elvas to open a new railway. A strike in the engineering trade in Lordon

is expected to commence on the 7th iest. Drury Lane Theatre, London, was closed last put a rider on some one of the appropriation night because the actors refused to agree to a

The committee of the German Federal Couneil have struck out the objectionable features of Bismarck's gag law.

The pressure in England continues a rong for the scheduling of the United States under the

cattle disease set. A portion of the city of Cabul is in revolt against the rule of Yakoob Khan, and he has shelled Chandel, a section occupied by his oppo-

nepts. Trouble is brewing between Chili and Bolivia ou account of taxes imposed by the latter upon the nitrate industries of the former. The Argentine republic has offended Chili by send ing ber iron clads into Chilian waters after agreeing not to do so, which promises to lead to a paval battle.

The Paris National has reason to believe the new cabinet have agreed that the question of the return of the Cnambers to Paris can be de eided by a congress of the two bouses. They are also willing to grant amnesty to the commu pists who have been already pardoned, (the ef from police surveillence) and that they will not upport any impeachment scheme.

A dispatch from Rome says: "In consequenos of the straitened condition of the pontifical ficances and the falling off in Peter's pence appeals were made from the pulpits in all the undertaken by the confraternity of St. Peter. its members being assisted by a large number of Catholic gentlemen, who attended everywhere with canvas bags ornamented with gold and

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Rev. C. R. Vaugher, D. D., has been elected Chaplain of the University of Virginia. Mr. G. H. Perdieton, formerly of Clarke county, and a brother of Rav. Dr. Pendleton, died last week at his home in Wytho county.

Mr. Muta, an Englishman, was thrown from

Major A. Myers was yesterday elected a member of the Virginia House of Delegates from Norfolk to succeed the late Dr. E. C.

There was not a dollar in the State treasury yesterday, and the warrants issued to the members of the General Assembly on that day were not honored.

Willeughby G. Butler, a prominent master builder and architect, died suddenly at the breakfast table yesterday morning at his residence in Portsmouth.

The Haleyon club house, on Marshall street, near twenty seventh, in Richmond, was destroyed by fire last night. The building was a one story frame and covered an area ferly by ninely feet. There is to be a meeting at Culpeper C. H.

sent every district in the county, in the con-vention of readjusters, to be held at Richmond, on the 25th. An attempt is to be made in the Legislature to frame a bill which will heal the dissensions

on the 17th inst., to select delegates to repro-

and difficulties at Blacksburg College, without reserting to the extreme measure of removing the entire board, faculty, and official corps. Mr. Walker, of Westmoreland, who was

some weeks ago much injured by an explosion of gunpowder at a hunting lodge on the Poto mae, has returned to his seat in the House of Delegates. His face is not permanently disfigured.

The House of Dolegates yesterday adopted an amendment to the Richmond and Alleghany Railroad bill, extending the time in which the proposed road may be constructed two years longer, and upon a failure to complete the line within the prescribed time, forfeiture of a I the road so constructed, and the bouds required under the contract to be deposited by the purchasing company to the State of Virginia.

VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday Mr. Chiles offered be following joint resolution:

Whereas a joint committee was appoint ed by the General Assembly to confer with the bondholders of the State with a view to a settlement of the public debi; and whereas such conference has been held, in which a proposition, purperting to come from the authorized agents of said bondholders, has been submitted to said committer; and whereas the session of this General Assembly has so far advanced as to admit of no delay in the consideration of said proposition; therefore be it

Resolved (the House concurring). That the joint committee be and they are hereby instructed to report the result of such confer ence to the General Assembly for their consid-

Mr. C. T. Smith, of Nelson, spoke ia oppo sition to the resolution. He said it proposed to discharge the committee just as there was a prospect of effecting some practical recu'ts of the conference with the creditors.

Mr. Fulkerson contended that the duties devolved upon the Finance Committee were such as to make it a conference committee, and therefore, not subject to nor governed by the rules ordinarily controlling legislative com

The Chair decided that he did not have the right to decide what duties were devolved upon the committee in the matter under discussion. Mr. Sinclair: Will the Senator from Washington, Mr. Fulkerson, inform me what took place at that conference with the creditors? I was

not permitted to be present.

Mr. Fulkerson : Yes, sir; I will inform the Senator. Mr. Fulkerson proceeded to do so. when he was interrupted by the Chair and informed that he could not speak of what coour red in the committee room.

Mr. Fulkersor: Well, then, you come to my room this evening and I will inform you. Mr. Brooke said what had been done by the fifteen members of the jeiot committee in having the floor and delivering an able and addressing a letter to the representatives of the elequent speech to favor of the adoption of the creditors here, was in their individual capacity as members of the General Assembly; and citizers of the Commonwealth. He would have written the letter to these representatives. he said, in view of the important results anticipatgentlemen were willing to settle the debt why possible from the creditors.

Mr. Fulkerson: Did not the Senator, Mr. Brooke, know the creditors' ulltimatun before that letter was addressed to their representatives

Mr. Brooke: No. Sin; the committee had no information that their proposition as submitted

to the sub-committee were a finality. Mr. Chiles: Doyou, as a Senator, believe that a further delay in the committee making

their report will result in any good? Mr. Brook: Yes, sir; I believe if we have two days longer it will be of vast advantage to the State in the settlement of the deb'.

Mr. Chiles: Then by permission of the Sanate I'll withdraw my resolution. Mr. Pau': I of jact.

Mr. Hurt, of Halifax, mevad to table; but at the request of Mr. Paul withdraw the mo-Mr. Paul spoke at considerable length in fi-

the mover of the resolution withdrew it. Bills were referred to amend section 30 of

chapter 78 of the Code in relation to pay of district clerks; to amend section 3 of chapter 59 of the Act of 1874, known as the embrzzlement law, so as to better protect and accommodate merchants, farmers and others in mak ing negotiations on crops and other property; to provide a ferce law for the county of Loudoun Isame bill rejected in the Senate a few days ago.

The House joint resolution requiring the Fish Commissioner to collect information in re-gard to the oyster and fish culture was concurred in by the Senate.

The Senate bill to authorize the directors of the Virginia Female Institute to borrow money to a limited amount, and sceure the same by trust deed or mortgage was passed.

In the House of Delegates Mr. Mushbach in troduced a bill to amend the Code in relation to turnpiks; and also presented the petition of citizens of Alexandria and Fairfax committees in

relation to the Arlington Turnpike Company. Bills were reported from committees to amend the Code in relation to business done in the Court of Appears at Wytheville and Richmond: and to incorporate the the town of Madison in Amherst county; prohibiting non residents from hunting, trapping, and netting partridges in the counties of Accomac and Northampton; and to authorize supervisors to levy taxes on

railroads in certain cases for county purposes. The Committee for Courts of Justice, to whomwas referred resolutions to inquire and report upon the right of the State to allow claims presented by her citizens to be paid out of tho treasury for provisions furnished during the war for the support of convicts in the penitentiary, reported that the question presented is purely a judicial one, and therefore it is inex pedient to legislate on the subject, and the

House adopted the report. Bills were passed to fix the times of holding courts in the Fourteenth judicial circuit; and to authorize the condemnation of the use of the land now coamied by the Central Lucatio Asy-

The Richmond and Alleghany Railroad bill was further discussed.

The Cattle Disease.

LONDON, January 5 .- The slaughter of the cargo of cattle brought by the steamer Ontario, which has been completed at the abattoir in Liverpool under the supervision of eminent veterinary authority specially familiar with pleuro pneumonia, disclosed the fact that several other cattle besides those previously detected had suffered from pleuro pneumonia, and that the disease was of a very pronounced contagious type. The examiner has returned to London to report to the veterioary department of the Privy Council. The consignment of cattle by the steamer Iberian which arrived at Liver pool yesterday from Boston awaits inspection in quarantine. In the present uncertainty few or no contracts are being entered into. The trade are trying to arrange for the slaughter of cattle at the point of debarkation. Strong representations will be made to the Mersey docks and harbor board to facilitate this. The 10 days' grace allowed by orders in council are said to be sufficient for the trade requirements and full guarantees will thus be provided against infection without prohibiting the importation of cattle. Near the north docks of Liverpool, it is claimed, is ample room to provide an abattoir for the slaughter of cattle on landing.

COURT OF APPEALS YESTERDAY. - Spilman vs. Cappon and als : petition for an appeal from an order of the chancery court of the city of Richmond; appeal refused.

E. W. Kettridge, esq., of Cincinnati, O., qualified to practice as counsel in this court. Old Dominion Steamship Company against Burckhart; argued by A. H. Sands for plaintiff in error and E. W. Kettridge for defendant and continued until to day.

Prices of Coal.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 5 -The following circular of prices at Mauch Chunk for line trade has been issued by the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company: Stove \$2.75; lump, broken, egg and small stove \$2.60; chestnut \$2.40; chestnut number two \$1.25.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[SPECIAL TO THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.] WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 5.

The Finance Committee of the Senate was to have met this merning and hored to be A BILL to provide for the more effectual apready with their report on the Internal Revecue bill, which costsiss the tobacco tex, but. owing probably to the inclement weather, no quorum was present. Some of the committee had not given up the idea of holding a meeting to-Jay as late as one c'eleck, and at that time still hoped a quorum could be obtained. The tobacoo lobbyists now in the city held a meeting last night, and arranged their plans for working upon the Senate, and some of them have not yet abandoned the idea that the majority report of the Finance Committee of the Senate when presented will contain the sixteen cents' reduction.

The republican members of the Senate held a caucus this morning to make arrangements for the order of business to be followed during the remainder of the session. They also had the Corbic-Butler case before them but came to no conclusion thereon. It was reported that they determined to support the bill for specing the Iedian Territory to settlers, but this report was afterwards contradicted.

Mr. Waddell who inteaded to introduce a bill on Monday probibiling the payment of any more so called Southern claims, tu was noable to get the floor, will endeaver to effect his pur pose next Monday. If he fails then he will abandon the idea.

The House of Representatives as soon as the ournal was read resumed the emsideration of the bill providing for the appointment of a commission to report upon the advisability of improving the Mississippi levees, interrupted by last night's adjournment, and passed is after striking out all appropriations except those for the expenses of the commission.

The Senate after the moraing bour resumed the consideration of the Edmunds resoluted for the enforcement of the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments to the constitution, Mr. Whyte, of Md., substitute offered by Senater Morgan.

The claims which the Nicoragunian commis sion, provided for in the bill introduced in the Senate vesterday, is to investigate, are these of American citizens who suffered by the bomhardment of Greviown.

Among the appointments sent to the Senate to-day were the following: Algercon S. Badger, to be collector of Customs and W. L. McMil lan, to be postmaster at New Orleans. These appointments, it is understood, are retalisting and telling blows at Secutor Kelling for voting with Conkling last Monday. D. V. Bell was also appointed collecter of Customs at Detroit. Michigae. This appointment, it is under-stood, really comes under the head of civil service reform, Mr. Bill being the present incumbent, and having risen to his present place by regular and deserved promotion from a clerk ship in the office.

LETTER FROM BICHMOND.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette. RICHMOND, Feb. 5 .- Much to the relief of everybody the discussion on the Richmond and Alleghany Railroad bill is drawing to a close. It is believed that the House will reach the bill to morrow or next day. Mr. Bacack closed the ver of the resolution. At the conclusion of argument in favor of the bill to-day, and his his remarks, no further objection being made, speech equaled in heanty that on the Corners resolutions.

The hall of the House of Delegates is one of the worst ventilated rooms in the State. It is either too warm or too cold. Frere is no telling how many members have been made sick from this cause. Gen. Hill, the magnant at arms, is now on the sick list. His presents is triesed compare the warrants issued by each district and his steatorian notes of too much taking on board with those issued by the county superinthe fipor are needed very often.

The State made a slight rip, le to day, and periotendent of Schools. the most needy of the members received their

per diem. Peter Carter closed his speech on the Rives usproation resolutions to day and his substitute was defeated. Peter at the close of his speech stated that 125 pegroes had been mardered to

Virginia since the adoption of the constitution. The two delegates from Alexandria, Mr. Hunter and Mr. Mushbach, do not agree on the railroad bill, Mr. Hunter being ler it and Mr. Mushbach against it. Mr. Mushbach in his speech contacted that the against in his speech contacted that the against it. his speech contended that the creat was valu able property-too valuable to be thrown away. Mr. Hupter thought it was worthless as it now stands, and in this connection told of a story in the "Arabian Nights" in which a sailer was cast on a desert island. The soller one day saw an old man lying down who was a cripple. The old fellow asked the good satured for to darry him to the other end of the island, and stated that he could not walk. The sailer encented and hoisted the old man on his shoulders. When he reached the other side of the island he attempted to relieve himself of his burden but the old fellow twiged his legs over the sailor's neek and despite the streamus efforts of the latter be kept there and so the sailer was forced to carry this burden wherever he went. Mr. Hunter conveyed the idea by this that Virginia would be compelled to carry this burden of a escal for ever if she did not avail herself of this oppor

tubity to get rid of it. Mr. Mushbach then tose and asked Mr. Hunter if this story he had told did not constitute the strongest argument, in favor of the ratention of the canal for did it not show that what the sailer had supposed to be a deer pid old man was really the stronger of the two. And periment with the electric light. A Gramoio team this story would not the inference be machine, with the Jablochkoff system of light drawn that this earal which the conteman called worthless was really a valuable titing. It is considered an honor to be a number of

the Finance Committee of the Heuse and Senate. It is, however, an honor dearly paid for, for this committee is in session all the time. Before breakfast, go to dinner, then in session after dinner, then go to supper and then in session at night. The House committee, of which Mr. Barbour is chairman, has had its time more than occupied and the hard work is beginning to tell upon them. They are beginning to grow thio. Mr. Ayres, the clerk, a mountain boy, is now but a shade of his former self. Fester, a southwestern athlete, looks subdued. Gen. Echole, too, looks broken down and even Dr. Moffert with all his vigor occasionally draws his hand over his forehead in a manner that indicates weariness. In view of these facts, it is better to be a member of the Committen on Immigration than to be a member of the Finance Committee with all the honers that attach

A disposition is being manifested on the part of the legislators who were not allowed to be present at the conference with the creditors to have a report from the Finance Committee on this matter. The reporters were not allowed to be present and the reports they made were of a character that suggested familiarity with key

Mr. Fulkerson to day in the Sanate said that the report in one of the city papers on the sub ject was wrong and he also stated that he was not surprised when it was recollected that the reporters had to get their information the best members long.

A VIRGINIAN CALLED UPON TO STOP OUT-RAGES .- Judge William L. Jackson, otherwise 'Mudwall" Jackson, formerly Ligutenant-Governor of Virginia, has, says the Louisville Courernor of Virginia, mas, says the Louisville Cour-ier, received a dispatch from his Excellency Gov. McCreary, announcing that Judge Ran-dall, of Breathitt county, had been swern off the bench, and asking when he could start for Breatjust as soon as the Governor wishes him to.

The Public School Fund.

The following till, agreed upon by the House Finance Committee, was reported to the Hous:

picuion of the funds set apart by the Constitution to the operation of the public schools of the State, making the certificates of county superintendents receivable for taxes. Whereas the Constitution provides that the capitation tax, the annual interest on the literary fund, and an annual tax on property of not ess than one mill on the dollar, for the equal benefit of all the people of the State, shall be applied for public school purposes; and whereas purposes other than the payment of school expenses; and whereas it is the duty of the Legthe 20th down to 13°. The 31, 2° below, and slature, as so required by the Constitution to

chools of Virginia; therefore

Be it enacted, ibe., That the Auditor of Public Accounts is hereby required, immediately upon the receipt of the land and property Therefore the coldest January in the last ten books of the several commissioners of the reveoue of the Commonwealth, to make a calcula tion of the sum total of all the funds due the isoluding the interest on the literary fund, of which sum he shall report four fitths thereof to the State Superintendent of Public Instruc ico as an appreximate basis for distribution; whoseupen said Superintendent of Public Instruction shall at once make out and furnish the Auditor of Public Accounts with a distrib universport of the amount due the saveral counties in the State upon this approximate Upon receipt of such report the Audi ter of Public Accounts shall issue his warrant upon the Treasurer of the State, countersigned the Superintendent of Public Instruction. in favor of the county superinterdents of each causty, for the amount which each county is entirled to receive under said report, which warrant, when en lorsed by said county superatendent to the county treasurer of said coun as hereignfter provided by the second section this art, shall be paid by the Tressurer of the State, or shall be accepted from such couny treasurer as cash io all settlements for public venue made by him with the Auditor of

Public Accounts. 2. The superintendent of schools of each ounty shall upon the receipt of such warrant redorse the same to and deposit it with the wishing to lay in a supply of dry goods in time ca-arer of his ecuaty, who shall enter the will save money by calling on us and pricing ame upon his books as a credit to said county our goods. We have in addition to all this positiotendent of schools, and said county su- gotten up a chromo interprise, where every rintendent shall thercupon make a report to purchaser will be presented gratis with one of the superintendent of schools of the State of cach warrant drawn upon said fund in the trea ur r's bands.

3. All warrants drawn by district school poords or trus ces upon the public school fund I the State, as new provided by law, shall, if pproved by the county superintendent, be akon up by him, and his own warrant issued herefor, which shall be paid by the treasurer f said county, or be receivable by him in payment of taxes due the Commonwealth, at its Accounts, under the penalty of confinement in the penitentiary not less than five years, nor hall the county treasurer, under like penalty, ay any warrant upon the State fund unless sued by his county superintendent, nor an aggregate amount greater than the said county superintendent shall have credit for on his books

at the time. 4. The school trustees of each county, at no less than one general meeting is each year, shall tendent, and report the result to the State Su

5. The Auditor of Public Accounts shall furnish to the several county superintendents or public schools blank warrants, as follows: No.-. Payable cut of State funds. County of Warrant No. -Issued tofor services rendered -, 187-. The treasfor ____in___Dis urer of ____ county will rrict public free school pay to ____ or order____ No. — lollers for — in -District, School No .-.

your voucher. This certificate shall be received by the county reasurer on whom drawn at its face value for all tages due the Commonwealth when signed by

for which this shall be

---, Supt. Public Schools, 6. Should there be found upon the collection of taxes an amount greater than the approximate basis herein before mentioned due to the public free subools of the State for any one year, then the difference between said real and true amount due the schools, and the appreximate basis shall be distributed as heretofore provided by law, and nothing in this act shall be construed to interfere with the same.

7. This set shall be in force from its passage.

GUENING WITH THE ELECTRIC LIGHT .-Within the last few days, says a London paper strange stories have been current. It is asserted of Charlottesville. Better and cheaper than that artificial light has been employed to at tract the grouse and to bring it within range. It is asserted that an individual of scientific tastes and the possessor of a well-stocked moor on the borders of Lancashire, determined to try an exing in metallic combination, was, according to the account which we shall proceed to quote, conveyed to the moor, which was reached about

live o'clock in the evening.

An eight-horse power engine, which belonged to a neighboring farmer, and which had the day before been employed in connection with a threshing machine, supplied the motive power, and the apparatus was set up close to the game Reeper's cottage. The party, which numbered nine guns, grouped itself around, and then the beaters were set to work, with orders to best up toward the light, which is said to have appeared to extend for miles, and to have illuminated the moor to such an extent that the smallest moving object was perceptible. The birds sconbegan to arrive. Roused by the beaters, they flew straight to the brightest part of the light, and, though fired at, returned sgain and again, until they sank exhausted to the ground.

Numbers were shot, and for some time the guns were busily employed, until at length one of the party, too impatient to load his gun, seized a stick, and used it vigorously upon the tired birds. Then, it was said, began a sickening scene of slaughter. Inspired by the idea, ample, and in a moment or two might have been witnessed the spectacle of nine English gentle. men and two keepers busily engaged in boating the lives cut of birds which lay helpless on the ground—an occupation in which they were speedily aided by the beaters, who kad by this time converged upon the light. The bag was reported to be two hundred and thirty-two brace of grouse, eleven snipe and partridges. wo owls, and a large number of smaller birds.

Attempted Wife Murder and Suicide. BRIDGEPORT, Ct., Feb. 5 .- Hugo Hartman, a

saloon keeper of east Bridgeport, last night shot his wife and then himself both in the breast with way they could. He intimated that the report an air gun. Hartman refuses to make any stateof the committee would not be kept from the ment of the affair, but the wife claims that the first shot was accidental and the second from excitement occasioned by the result of the first shot. The run, however, was reloaded between the two discharges. Neither wound is probably

Fatal Affair.

CINCINNATI, Feb.5 .- A special dispatch says at Wrightsville, Green county, Ill., on Monday, Dr. Charles McAu'iffee and James Havener, hitt to preside in his stead. It is understood an uncle of the Ductor, had a dispute about that Judge Jackson is ready and willing to go family matters, during which Havener was shot Explosion.

CI: INNATI, Feb. 5 -A dispatch says a mi. per of the McHenny coal mines, Ey, on the Paducan and Elizabethtown R. R. yesterdayin filling a can of powder in his house let drop a spark into the can and an explosion followed tearing out the whole side of the house, and fatally injuring the miner, his wife and child.

METEOROLOGICAL. - The month of January just past has been the opposite of December In the range of thermometer and barometer December had a very even range of the former and eccentricity of the latter. January has had quite an even range of barometer and very eccentric one of thermometer, the latter ranging from 2° below on the morning of the 21 to on the Sth and 9th both 45° above zero. provide tunds for the support of the public mean temperature for the month 32 26°. Mean for January, 1878, 33 53°; Jan. 1877, 28 88°; Jan. 1876, 41.04°; 1875, 27,70°; 1874, 39 03-1873, 28.14°; 1872, 30 26°, and 1871, 31.13°,years was in 1875, 27.70°, and the mildest was in 1876, 41.04°. The amount of rain and melt ed snow for the past January was 5 30 in. The public schools of Virginia for the ensuing year, barometer pressure 29 67 in., which is less than the medium by 67 100. The prevailing wind was nearly equal between northeast 18 porthwest 19, south 20. Observations: The highest barometer pressure 30 18; lowest 29 05 inches. U. GILLINGHAM.

Accotick, Va., Feb. 1879.

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Final Notice to the Holders of Bonds

road Company. U NDER the Plan of Reorganization, ratioed by the decree of the Court, the time in which Bondholders should be allowed to par-ticipate in the benefits of the Plan, by the convertices of Bonds into Preferred Stock, was let to the discretion of the Purchasing Committee. More than three years having passed since this right was given, and more than nine-tenths of the Bondholders having converted their Bonds, the Committee, desirous of closing their labors, hereby give notice that the right of converting Bonds and receiving Preferred Stock will ter minate on the 30th day of June, 1879

Circulars giving information how the conver-tion is made can be had at the office of the Northern Pacific R. E. Co., No. 23 Fifth avenue New York.
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